# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## **FISCAL NOTE**



SB 977 - HB 1459

March 30, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires a municipality to reimburse a general sessions judge appointed to serve as a municipal or city judge at the pay rate established in the city or municipal ordinance.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 6-4-301(b), an appointed city judge shall receive compensation provided by the municipality.
- The number of occasions where a judge of a general sessions court is appointed to serve as a municipal city judge is unknown.
- Municipalities electing to appoint a judge of a general sessions court to serve as a city judge will compensate such judge in lieu of compensating a city judge, resulting in a not significant impact to municipal expenditures.
- The increase to county revenue is unknown and is dependent on multiple unknown factors including the frequency of such action, the rate of compensation, and the number of municipalities that are currently compensating counties. However, estimate assumes the increase to county revenue will be not significant, resulting in a not significant net impact to local governments.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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